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SUBJ: PHASING OUT JOHNS HOPKINS-LJUBLJANA URBANISTICS
EXCHANGE

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1. FISHER VISITED PAO OCT 22, REPORTING THAT HE HAD DIPLOMATICALLY INFORMED DIRECTOR LJUBLJANA URBANISTIC INSTITUTE MUSIC THAT PROJECT WOULD BE PHASED OUT. FISHER PLANS REQUEST PERMISSION PROLONG PRESENT CONTRACT FROM DEC 1975 TERMINATION TO JUNE 1976. HE WILL ALSO PROBABLY REQUEST ADDITIONAL GRANTS UP TO 10,000 DOLS TO FINANCE HIGH-LEVEL MEETING IN BALTIMORE FEBRUARY 1976, OR SOMEWHAT LATER, TO REVIEW PROJECTS OVERALL EVALUATION REPORT, TO DISCUSS HOW TO GENERALIZE THE EXPERIENCE GAINED IN THE LONG HISTORY OF THE FISHER-LJUBLJANA PROJECT, AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY, TO INVITE REPS MAJOR PARTICIPATING AMERICAN AND YUGOSLAV UNIVERSITIES TO GENERAL REVIEW OF OVERALL UNIVERISITY-UNIVERSITY COOPERATION, PROVIDING PLATFORM FOR TRUE REVIEW OF US-YUGOSLAV SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGES. THIS WOULD ALLOW ALL PARTICIPANTS TO TAKE HARD LOOK AT WHOLE EXCHANGES STRUCTURE.

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2. COMMENT: WE FEEL THAT AN OVERVIEW OF OUR

EDUCATIONAL AND SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGES PROGRAMS COULD
BE VERY USEFUL IN EFFECTING ADVANCE PLANNING IN
THESE AREAS. NAS FOREIGN SECRETARY HAMMOND ALREADY
UNDERTAKING WHAT PROMISES TO BE VALUABLE REVIEW
SCIENCE EXCHANGES. SIMILAR EXERCISE IN EDUCATIONAL
EXCHANGES COULD AFFORD US A GOOD PLATFORM TO MAKE
OUR VIEWS KNOWN ABOUT INJECTING MORE SOCIAL SCIENCES
INTO PROGRAM CURRENTLY OVERWHELMINGLY WEIGHTED IN
FAVOR OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES. HOWEVER, WE ARE
CONVINCED THAT MORE PRESTIGIOUS FORUM THAN THAT
OFFERED BY FISHER IS NECESSARY TO ASSURE MODICUM
SUCCESS SUCH EFFORT. AT THIS END, WE COULD ENLIST
AYEC SERVICES AS ORGANIZATIONAL FOCUS. DEPT'S
IDEAS REQUESTED.
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